

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are pending in the present application and have been restricted. Applicants herein provisionally elect Group I, the instances wherein A, B, C or D are carbon, classified in class 548, subclass 262.2+. This election is being made without prejudice to Applicants' rights with respect to the other groups, including the right to file divisional applications thereon.

Regarding the claim objections, claims 9-11 have been amended to delete "for the treatment of...". Claim 2 has been amended, and new claims 12-13 have been added. No new matter has been added by the amendment.

Prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested for the elected claims. Consideration and allowance of the claims are also requested. The foregoing is believed to be fully responsive to this office action.

If there are any charges with respect to this amendment, or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

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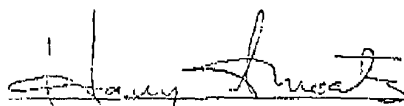
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